

The Vreeland House
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Owner: Passaic County Park Commission

Date of Erection: About 1760

Architect:

Builder: (Probable) Edo van Marselis

Present Condition: Fair

Number of Stories: Main section two stories; wing
one and one-half

Materials of Construction: Foundation - stone

Exterior walls - main unit
stucco on stone, frame con-
struction above first floor;
wing brownstone

Interior walls - plaster

Inside brick chimneys

Roof - pitch

Historical Data:

The supposed builder of this house Edo van Marselis was of the fourth generation of the van Marselis family in America. He married Ariontje Sip on April 11, 1754. Edo acquired large tracts of land in Freshness, Wesel, and Totawa. He died on October 12, 1799 in his seventieth year and is buried in the Old Freshness cemetery.

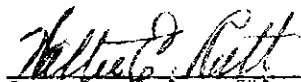
The property descended from Edo to his son Garrett Marsellus. It was Garrett who sold on October 1, 1841 to Elias Vreeland. Elias Vreeland willed the property to his son Adam. On March 20, 1930 Elias, John, and Arthur Vreeland, executors of Adam Vreeland, deeded the property to the Passaic County Park Commission.

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